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NATIONAL ROAD.

Lexington, N. C. Jan. 15th, 1825.

Pursuant to public notice given on
Thursday the 13th instant, a general
meeting of the citizens of the town
took place at the house of Benj. D.
Rounsville, to take into consideration
the most expedient and eligible
mode of endeavors to obtain the laying
out of the Great National Road,
from Washington City to New Orleans,
through this section of the country.
Jesse Hargrave, Esq. being
called to the chair, and B. D. Rounsville
appointed Secretary, the Chairman
having called the meeting to order,
they unanimously took up the
subject of the National Road, from
Washington City to New Orleans,
passing this way, and after deliberations,
agreed to address a memorial to
the President of the U. S. on the subject
of said road. Whereupon James
R. Dodge, William R. Holt, and Ben
jamin D. Rounsville, Esqr's. were
appointed a committee to draft the
same. The meeting then adjourned
until 12 o'clock Saturday next, to as
semble again at the Court-House.

Whereupon it was Resolved, that a copy
of the foregoing memorial and
proceedings, signed by the Chairman
and Secretary, be transmitted to the
Hon. John Long, our Representative
in Congress, requesting him to hand
the same to the President of the United
States.

Resolved, 2ndly, that a copy of
said memorial and proceedings, be
forwarded to the Hon. Mr. Long,
and each of our Senators and Repre
sentatives in Congress.

JESSE HARGRAVE, Chairman.
B. D. ROUNSVILLE, Secretary.

United States' Congress.

IN SENATE.

Monday, Jan. 24.—Mr. Barton presented
the petition of the inhabitants of Boone
county, in the state of Missouri, praying
that military posts, and other regulations,
may be established for the encouragement
and protection of the trade between
that State and the Internal Provinces of
Mexico.

The bill, from the House of Representa
tives, "authorizing a subscription to
the stock in the Chesapeake and Dela
ware Canal Company," was received,
read, and referred.

The bill, from the House of Representa
tives, "for the continuation of the Cum
berland Road," was received, read, and
referred.

Jan. 25.—Mr. Benton presented the
petition of the inhabitants of Howard
county, in Missouri, praying some protec
tion for the inland trade between the
State of Missouri and the internal Provinces
of Mexico. Laid on the table.

The bills from the House, "for the
continuation of the Cumberland Road,"
and "authorizing the subscription of
stock to the Delaware and Chesapeake
Canal Company," were read a second
time, and referred to the Committee on
Roads and Canals.

Jan. 26.—The Senate resumed the
consideration of the following bill to au
thorize the President of the United States
to cause a road to be marked out from
the western frontier of Missouri to the
confines of New-Mexico:

And after a lengthy discussion, the
question was taken, "Shall the bill be
engrossed and read a third time?" And
it was determined in the affirmative,
Yea 30, Nays 12.

Jan. 27.—Mr. Williams submitted the
following resolution for consideration:

Resolved, That the Postmaster General
be directed to report to the Senate the
amount which, in his opinion, it will be
necessary to appropriate, to render the
Post Road passing through the Indian
country, between Columbus and Jackson,
in the state of Mississippi, fit for the
transportation of the mail from the City
of Washington to Natches and New Orleans,
in covered carriages or stages.

The bill authorizing the President of
the United States to cause a road to be
marked out between the Western Frontier
of Missouri and the Internal Provinces
of Mexico, was read a third time,
passed, and sent to the House for con
sideration.

Jan. 28.—Mr. Kelly, according to no
tice, asked and obtained leave, and intro
duced, a bill for the relief of purchasers
of Public Lands, prior to the 1st of July,
1820; which was read, and ordered to a
second reading.

ble ground without reference to former roads; But if the intention of Congress is to make a road the least expensive, and the least difficult, without reference to the situation of the country and its inhabitants, they would respectfully suggest, that this section would be as little liable to the charge of expense as any. The road through here would in a great measure avoid the mountains. The soil is calculated for turnpiking; the country as free from hills as any; and affording timber in the greatest abundance, calculated for any use.

Your memorialists confidently hope that when your excellency shall take into consideration the above facts; the route being direct; the advantages of soil, timber, and the evenness of the country: and, also, that the impediments of streams exist on every route. At the same time suggesting to your excellency, the situation of this section, destitute of navigation which gives so many advantages to their eastern and western brethren: and that this road will in some degree be an equivalent for the loss they sustain by nature, that your excellency will order a survey and report as to this route.

Resolved, That the committee on Canals and Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation sufficient to enable the President to send four of the Cadets, graduated at the military academy, to Great Britain, for the purpose of examining the improvements made in that kingdom, in the roads, rail ways, canals, and other branches of civil-engineering.

The resolution was rejected.

Jan. 25.—The Speaker laid before the
House a communication from the Department
of the Treasury, transmitting an account of the dividends on the public stock since the establishment of the present Government, which remains unclaimed.

The House resumed the unfinished
business of yesterday, being the bill fur
ther to provide for the punishment of
crimes against the United States [debate, on
this bill, the house adjourned.]

Jan. 26.—The House then took up the Bill more effectually to punish crimes committed against the United States.

The question being on the engrossment
of the bill, considerable discussion
took place thereon; when the bill was
then ordered to be engrossed, and read a
third time on Friday.

Jan. 27.—On motion, it was

Resolved, That the committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of further extending the time now allowed by law for issuing and locating Military Land Warrants.

The House passed to the unfinished
business of yesterday, and took up the
bill "to regulate the Post Office Depart
ment."

On several of the sections of this
lengthy bill, considerable debate arose, in
which many members, besides the Chairman
of the Post Office Committee, (Mr. J. T. Johnson,) took part. Several attempts were made, without success, to introduce amendments. One of these,
which proposed to strike out that part of the
bill which gives jurisdiction to the
State Court to try criminals who shall
rob the mail, &c. gave rise to an inter
esting discussion.

Jan. 28.—On motion of Mr. Conner, of
N. C. it was

Resolved, that the select committee appointed
on the President's message, of the 17th March, 1824, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of carrying into effect the resolution of Congress, passed September 20th, 1781, instructing the Governor and Council of North-Carolina to erect a monument to the memory of Brigadier General Davidson.

On motion of Mr. Gatin, of N. C. it was

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Jan. 31.—The President of the Senate
communicated four reports from the Sec
retary of the Treasury, and three from the War Department; which were referred to different committees.

The Senate was engaged the remain
der of the day, in the discussion of the
bill for the suppression of piracy.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Jan. 24.—The Committee on Public Buildings, made a report that \$96,520
93 has been expended during last year on the centre building of the Capitol, and that the sums appropriated for those purposes had been expended on the Supreme Court room, Capitol Square, and the foot-way by the public grounds; also, that the south portico of the President's house has been finished, and the advance made in the Capitol has enabled the Commissioner to dispense with the services of one superintendent and several overseers. The report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill providing for the gradual increase of the corps of Engineers, and for equalizing the rank, pay, and emoluments of the Professors of the Military Academy at West Point, and for other purposes; which was read twice, com
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Mr. Livingston offered the following
resolution:

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which extends the period during which
members of Congress are authorized to
frank letters and documents from thirty
to sixty days; and supported the motion
by a short speech. The question on
concurrence was taken and decided in the
affirmative—aye 95, nays 56. So the
amendment extending the privilege to
sixty days was retained in the bill.

Another amendment proposed to ex
empt, from the prohibition of an union
of the station of Postmaster and Contractor,
all contracts in existence previous to
the passage of this act.

Mr. Cocke opposed this amendment,
and Mr. J. T. Johnson supported it; when
the amendment was agreed to.

Among the existing provisions of the
bill is one, for limiting the papers to be
received in exchange by printers, to the
number of fifty.

Mr. Saunders, of N. C. moved to strike
out this section, and substitute another,
which went in effect to restore the law as
it now stands, which allows each printer
to exchange one paper with every other
printer of a newspaper in the United
States, free of postage. Mr. S. supported
the amendment by a few observations
of the unfavorable effect which such a
restriction as was proposed would have
upon the editors of papers in the country,
who are all in the habit of drawing much
of the matter in their papers from the
great Atlantic cities, and such other
large towns as are the foci of political
and other intelligence, and who, from
the limited circulation of their papers,
cannot afford to pay postage, &c.

Mr. J. T. Johnson (the Chairman of
the Post Office Committee) having intimated
that he should not object to the
amendment—

The question was taken thereupon,
and it was agreed to.

So the limitation was expunged from
the bill.

The bill was ordered to a third reading.

Jan. 31.—On motion, it was

Resolved, That the committee on Indian Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the extinguishment of the Indian title to land lying in the state of Georgia, by the purchases from those Creek and Cherokee Indians who reside within the limits of the said state.

It is hoped that those who feel themselves interested in the welfare and honor of their country, will not suffer such an institution as this has promised to become, to fall to nought.

It is confidently expected, that a general
meeting, not only of the members, but of all
those who wish to become so, will take place on
that day. J. L. BEARD, Recording Sec'y.

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Agricultural Notice.

THE officers, members, and friends of the agricultural society of Cabarrus county, are requested to attend a meeting of the society, in the court-house in Concord, on the last Saturday in February next.

It is hoped that those who feel themselves interested in the welfare and honor of their country, will not suffer such an institution as this has promised to become, to fall to nought.

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For Sale,

THAT valuable and well known
House and Lot in the town of Charlotte,
occupied for the last six years
by Cowan & Vail, as a house of entertainment,
its central situation in the town and vicinity to
the Court-House; its complete order and convenient
arrangement for the entertainment of travellers and country custom; its spacious
well framed, two storied stables; its highly improved garden; its neat and convenient two
storied kitchen; its secure frame smoke house and lumber room, with its large cellar, secure
and dry at all seasons of the year, together with a never failing well of excellent water, convenient
to the house and kitchen, will afford to one wishing to keep a public house advantages not surpassed by any in the state. Any person
wishing to purchase, is requested to view the premises, that they may speak for themselves.

Also, about 40 acres of valuable land adjoining
the town lands, thirty of which are inclosed and well adapted to the culture of all the products
of the country.

I am disposed to sell the above premises upon
accommadating terms, which can be known by applying to John Irwin, merchant, of Charlotte
or Thomas L. Cowan, of Salisbury.

JAMES COWAN.

Charlotte, Dec. 3, 1824. '42

New Supply of Fresh Goods.

THE subscriber is receiving and opening a
large and general assortment of all kinds
of Goods, at his store in Salisbury, from Phila
delphia and New-York; and has made arrangements
to receive from said places, monthly, any
further supply that may be necessary—selected
with care, and laid in at prices that will enable
him to sell very low. His customers, and the
public at large, are respectfully invited to call,
examine, and judge for themselves.

J. MURPHY.

Salisbury, Sept. 1824. 6mt48

N. B. Country Produce of all kinds, received
in

THE INDIANS.

In the House of Representatives, on the 27th ult. the following message was received from the President of the U. States:

To the House of Representatives of the U. States:

Being deeply impressed with the opinion, that the removal of the Indian tribes from the lands which they now occupy within the limits of the several States and Territories, to the country lying westward and northward thereof, within our acknowledged boundaries, is of very high importance to our Union, and may be accomplished on conditions and in a manner to promote the interest and happiness of those tribes, the attention of the government has been long drawn, with great solicitude, to the object. For the removal of the tribes within the limits of the state of Georgia, the motive has been peculiarly strong, arising from the compact with that state, whereby the United States are bound to extinguish the Indian title to the lands within it, whenever it may be done peaceably and on reasonable conditions. In the fulfilment of this compact, I have thought that the United States should act with a generous spirit, that they should omit nothing which should comport with a liberal construction of the instrument, and likewise be in accordance with the just rights of those tribes. From the view which I have taken of the subject, I am satisfied that, in the discharge of these important duties, in regard to both parties alluded to, the United States will have to encounter no conflicting interests with either. On the contrary, that the removal of the tribes from the territory which they now inhabit, to that which was designated in the message at the commencement of the session, which would accomplish the object for Georgia, under a well digested plan for their government and civilization, which should be agreeable to themselves, would not only shield them from impending ruin, but promote their welfare and happiness. Experience has clearly demonstrated, that, in their present state, it is impossible to incorporate them, in such masses, in any form whatever, into our system. It has also demonstrated, with equal certainty, that, without a timely abolition of, and provision against, the dangers to which they are exposed, if not impossible to control, their degradation and extermination will be inevitable.

The great object to be accomplished is, the removal of those tribes to the territory designated, on conditions which shall be satisfactory to themselves, and honorable to the United States. This can be done only by conveying to each tribe a good title to an adequate portion of land, to which it may consent to remove, and by providing for it there, a system of internal government which shall protect their property from invasion, and, by the regular progress of improvement and civilization prevent that degeneracy which has generally marked the transition from the one to the other state.

I transmit, herewith, a report from the Secretary of War, which presents the best estimate which can be formed, from the documents in that Department, of the number of Indians within our States and Territories, and of the amount of lands held by the several tribes within each; of the state of the country lying northward and westward thereof within our acknowledged boundaries; of the parts to which the Indian title has already been extinguished; and of the conditions on which other parts, in an amount, which may be adequate to the object contemplated, may be obtained. By this report, it appears that the Indian title has already been extinguished to extensive tracts in that quarter, and that other portions may be acquired, to the extent desired, on very moderate conditions. Satisfied I also am, that the removal proposed is not only practicable but that the advantages attending it to the Indians may be made so apparent to them, that all the tribes, even those most opposed, may be induced to accede to it at no very distant day.

The digest of such a Government, with the consent of the Indians, which should be endowed with sufficient powers to meet all the objects contemplated; to connect the several tribes together in a bond of amity, and preserve order in each; to prevent intrusions on their property; to teach them, by regular instructions, the arts of civilized life, and make them a civilized people, is an object of very high importance. It is the powerful con-

sideration which we have to offer to these tribes, as an inducement to relinquish the lands on which they now reside, and to remove to those which are designated. It is not doubted that this arrangement will present considerations of sufficient force to surmount all their prejudices in favor of the soil of their nativity, however strong they may be. Their elders have sufficient intelligence to discern the certain progress of events in the present train, and sufficient virtue, by yielding to momentary sacrifices, to protect their families and prosperity from inevitable destruction. They will also perceive, that they may thus attain an elevation to which, as communities, they could not otherwise aspire.

To the United States, the proposed arrangement offers many important advantages, in addition to those which have been already enumerated. By the establishment of such a government over these tribes, with their consent, we become in reality their benefactors. The relation of conflicting interests, which has heretofore existed between them and our frontier settlements, will cease. There will be no more wars between them and the United States. Adopting such a government, their movement will be in harmony with us, and its good effect be felt throughout the whole extent of our territory, to the Pacific. It may fairly be presumed that, through the agency of such a government, the condition of all the tribes inhabiting that vast region may be essentially improved; that permanent peace may be preserved with them, and our commerce be much extended.

With a view to this important object, I recommend it to Congress to adopt, by solemn declaration, certain fundamental principles, in accord with those above suggested, as the basis of such arrangements as may be entered into with the several tribes, to the strict observance of which, the faith of the nation shall be pledged. I recommend it also to Congress to provide by law for the appointment of a suitable number of commissioners, who shall, under the directions of the President, be authorized to visit and explain to the several tribes, the objects of the Government, and to make with them, according to their instructions, such arrangements as shall be best calculated to secure the objects intended.

A negotiation is now depending with the Greek nation, for the cession of lands held by it, within the limits of Georgia, and with a reasonable prospect of success. It is presumed, however, that the result will not be known during the present session of Congress. To give effect to this negotiation, and to the negotiations which it is proposed to hold with all the other tribes within the limits of the several states and territories, on the principles and for the purposes stated, it is recommended that an adequate appropriation be now made by Congress.

JAMES MONROE.
Washington, 27th January, 1825.

CUMBERLAND ROAD.

In the U. S. House of Representatives, Jan. 13. The House having again resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill to provide for the continuation of the Cumberland Road, and the question being on filling the blank for the appropriation with 150,000 dollars—

Mr. McDuffie, of South Carolina, rose, and said that he wished clearly to understand what would be the effect of the provisions of the bill, and for that purpose he had risen to inquire what was the present condition of this fund of 2 per cent. of the sales of the public lands? If he had been correctly informed, the proceeds of that fund were all exhausted on the Cumberland road, and the money now to be appropriated was to be advanced on a fund which would not yield any returns, perhaps in fifty years, perhaps never. He wished to meet the question fairly; and, if the money was to be given out of the Treasury for the object proposed, he wished at once to know it, that the House might not put on the statute book an act in a deceptive form, purporting that the money granted is to be returned, when no such thing is expected. As the matter now stood, he should vote against the bill; but he wished for further information, and hoped that some of the gentlemen who had the charge of the bill would favor him by stating the true situation of the fund.

Mr. Rankin, of Mississippi, observed, that, as it was his purpose to oppose the bill, he might as well take this time as any other to present his objections to it. He felt assured that he should not be so far misunderstood as to have it supposed by any gentleman on that floor that he was otherwise than friendly disposed toward the system of internal improvement

on which the House and the nation had last year entered, and he was equally certain that his friends from the West would not suspect him of being hostile to their interest; for, if any part of the whole Western country might be said to be closely connected in interest with the state he represented, it was that in which the contemplated object was proposed to be carried into effect. But, he did not think the course proposed was the best to be at present pursued. The great system of Internal Improvements ought not to be commenced in detail. What had last session been done as a commencement of the system had been done on a scale, and in a manner, worthy of the nation. The first step in such a plan was to have a full survey of the whole field of operation, and then to consider what parts of the general system required the first attention.

The observations which had so repeatedly been made by the gentleman from Ohio, (Mr. Beecher) as to the comparative expenditures on the east and on the west side of the Alleghanies, were calculated to shew that the commencement of the plan, in the manner now proposed, or in any manner similar to it, had a direct tendency to arouse sectional feelings and awaken local jealousies. If, indeed, as had been contended by the gentleman, the government is bound by contract to make this road, why, then, it must be made; but, if not, and if this measure stood on the same ground of its own independent merits as any other object of internal improvement, then it was proper to pause and consider whether the course proposed was the wisest and the best. It was his own opinion that the government is not bound by any contract to go on with the Cumberland road. The first act on this subject was that in 1802, when 2 per cent. of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands was reserved for the purpose of making a road from the navigable waters of the Atlantic to the navigable waters of the Ohio. The great object of this reservation was, that a chain of communication might be opened and secured between the states on the Atlantic and the states on the Western waters. This leading object of the original contract was to be taken as a guide in the interpretation of all the subsequent contracts which were entered into the same general subject.

None of those contracts except the first, stated where the stipulated road was to run from. One said it was to run to Indiana; another, that it was to run to Illinois, &c.; but, for aught in those contracts, it might start from Detroit, or from Boston, or from Charleston, or any other point in the Union. The great object was to secure a line of communication between the Atlantic and Western states, and this must constantly be kept in view in interpreting the terms to and from, as they occur in those contracts. This construction presents an object which was worthy of the legislature of our government. It was well known that the three great Western states were already sufficiently bound to each other by their relative situation, their interests were all closely allied, and they needed nothing to draw the bands closer, or render them stronger. But it was not so with respect to them and the Atlantic states. Between them was interposed a barrier of mountains, the natural effect of which was to separate their interests, and alienate their attachment from each other. Congress wished, so far as possible, to do away this barrier, and consolidate the interests of the Eastern and Western parts of the Union, by establishing a chain of direct and easy intercourse between them. Another reason in favor of this construction was the uniform course of this legislation which had been pursued on this subject. The original contract with the state of Ohio was made in 1802. In 1806, the appropriation was made for the Cumberland road; and every subsequent act from 1806 to 1809, had had the same uniform design and tendency, viz. to connect the Eastern and the Western states. The last pledge of the 2 per cent. fund was made in 1819; those prior had been only of so much of the fund as arose from lands in Ohio; then followed the pledges of the 2 per cents. from Ohio and Indiana; then of those of Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. He presumed the latter was made with the consent of Illinois.

As to the application of this fund to the Cumberland Road, it would be found that, in December, 1823, the total amount of the two per cent. fund was \$239,000. The sum appropriated for making the Cumberland Road was about \$1,600,000—which would leave a balance of the appropriation over and above the amount of the 2 per cents., of \$1,407,000, to be made up out of that fund. From this statement it must be plain to every body that that fund would never replace what had been expended already.

He did not see that the claim of Ohio for money for a road, was to be placed before that of the other States. Congress was not yet prepared to enter on the detail of this system of internal improvement. If in carrying that system into effect, Congress wished to do justice to the whole country, the first measure must be a general survey. If, when that was done, it should be the opinion of Congress that the point now proposed was the proper one at which to commence the sys-

tem, he should cheerfully consent to it. He had risen now chiefly to shew that Congress had a right to do what they had done in pledging the two per cent. fund for the Cumberland road.

General Intelligence.

LATE FROM EUROPE.

NEW-YORK, JAN. 29.—By the Tally-Ho, from London, and the packet ship John Wells, from Liverpool, we have received intelligence to the 3d January.

The cotton market was rather improving.

The effects of the late tremendous hurricane have been felt on the continent, in almost every seaport, particularly in the North Sea. St. Petersburg was recovering from the shock, but had sustained a serious loss in lives and property. The Greeks continued successful—the troops under the Turkish commanders were preparing for a retreat. The Grand Seignor, dissatisfied with the conduct of the Pacha of Egypt, determined to send him a firman, inviting him to have his head taken off; but no messenger could be found willing to carry the despatches, the Pacha having resisted similar orders previously.

Spain continued in a frightful condition. The removal of the French troops had created the greatest excitement. The troops destined for South America, in Barcelona, were becoming restless, and demanding an advance of wages, which the government could not satisfy. The country was in a complete state of anarchy and confusion.

King Charles of France has rendered himself very popular by his unceremonious visits to the Lyceums and Academies of Arts and Sciences, and by a courteous and friendly address to the people, among whom he is received with flattering attention. The French ministry continue much as it was, under the late king, but more liberally disposed.

France has an eye on the movements of Austria, which country is drawing a strong cordon towards the frontiers of Greece. In spite of the vigilance of England and France, it is plain that Russia and Austria have an understanding as to the future disposition of Greece, her final independence being no longer a matter of doubt and opinion. The Divan are at a stand to devise ways and means for a new campaign—their resources are nearly exhausted, and the Jannissaries are becoming troublesome.

Extract of a letter received in London, dated

MADRID, DEC. 7.—In my last, I mentioned the American minister having sent off his Secretary, at a short notice, with despatches to Washington—the cause now comes out. The king, in his wisdom, formally demands of the United States to recall the recognition of the independence of the several independent Spanish countries in America, under pain, in case of refusal, of issuing a Royal Decree revoking the cession of the Floridas.

A meeting was held in London on the 17th Dec. to raise a fund for the Spanish and Italian refugees in and about London, and £1,100 subscribed.

MADRID NOV. 30.—The King has ordered that suspected persons shall not be permitted to reside near the sea-coast. The French are not allowed to concern themselves with any thing that may occur without the walls of the fortresses they occupy.

The city of Sheraz, in Persia, was destroyed by an earthquake, June 20, and it is said, scarcely 500 persons escaped. Shocks were felt at Aleppo.

In the north western part of Spain, the state of things was distressing in the extreme, on account of the civil dissensions.

A gentleman who left Madrid on the 18th Dec. states, that petitions had been presented to the king from 40 principal towns, praying for the re-establishment of the inquisition; and also that the king has plainly declared that he will never recognize the laws of the Cortes.

While almost every part of Europe is suffering from the overflowing of rivers, that great source of fertility in Egypt—the Nile, is said to have failed this season in diffusing its waters to the usual extent; the consequence of which will, it is feared, be a deficient crop of grain. We derive this information from a letter, of which the following is an extract, received by an eminent mercantile house:

ALEXANDRIA, OCT. 14.—The Pacha has prohibited the exportation of all sorts of grain, owing to the Nile not having overflowed its banks as usual; consequently the crop will be bad. This circumstance may have some effect on the article, especially as the demand is great in the Archipelago and the Morea.

LONDON DEC. 21.—Yesterday there was a brisk and extensive demand for cotton, nearly 1500 bags were sold at high prices. This morning the request does not appear so general or extensive.

LIVERPOOL, DEC. 18.—The arrivals of cotton have been very limited, and the demand has continued very good throughout the whole of the week; and prices have been gradually improving. Sea Islands have advanced 2d and 3d per lb. other American descriptions 1-4d.—About 4000 bags of American have been taken on speculation. The sales amount to 24,000 bags.



Salisbury, February 15, 1825.

THE PRESIDENCY.

For some time past, rumours have been afloat, that the friends of Mr. Clay in Congress were making overtures to those of Mr. Adams, with the view of throwing the weight of the former into the scale of the latter, for the purpose of defeating the election of Gen. Jackson. Such facts have now been developed as sustain, in part, these rumours. It is known that Mr. Clay will exert his influence, as far as it may go, to elect Mr. Adams in preference to Gen. Jackson. But the question arises, Can he so far control the representation from any one state that is not predisposed in favor of Mr. Adams, as to influence it to vote for that gentleman? We yet believe not. It is said Clay has the promise of being made Secretary of State, provided that, through his influence, Mr. Adams is elected President. But we cannot believe, without further evidence, that Mr. Adams is so devoid of political integrity, as to seek to elevate himself to the chief magistracy by a corrupt bargaining of the high offices of his country. We await, with anxiety, the result of the balloting in the House of Representatives, which took place last Wednesday, the 9th inst.

The office of the Raleigh Star, was entered through a back window, on Sunday night the 30th ult. and a desk broken open—but no MONEY having been found, (and the foolish robbers might have known, without an examination, that MONEY never finds its way into a printing office) the fellows left the "Star" office, and paid their compliments to that of our friend Jo. Gales—there, it seems, they were more lucky; for they robbed our brother of the type of about twenty-five dollars!! Money appeared to be the only object of these rogues, for they molested nothing else in either of the offices, except making prize of the ware-room key of the Star office. What put it into the heads of these fellows to expect to find money in a printing office, we cannot divine.

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Dr. R. B. Vance, representative in Congress from the Morganton district in this state, is said, in a northern paper, to have drawn a prize of \$5000, in the Union Canal Lottery of Philadelphia. We are pleased to see that fortune is beginning to smile upon the sons of North-Carolina: she has long cast her favors on us; but we hope this pecuniary favor is a presage of better times in the political condition of the state.

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NATIVE GOLD.

Within a few weeks past, considerable quantities of gold have been found on the land of Mathias Barringer, in Cabarrus county, 17 miles south-east of this place. Mr. Barringer was digging for gold on the banks of a branch, when he struck a vein of the precious metal, running into a hill; in pursuing it a short distance, it became very rich. It was about 7 feet long, and about 4 inches wide; and, in that space, yielded 140 or 150 weight of ore, which, when purified, will probably make 5 or 6000 dollars worth of gold.

This gold differs considerably in its character from what has heretofore been found, either in Cabarrus or Montgomery. It is found in veins of quartz, running through slate-rock; while the other is found in loose sand and gravel, in, perhaps, an alluvial soil.

Mr. Barringer's gold appears to be combined with an ore, and appears to be less pure; while the specimens heretofore found, contain nothing but the pure metal, or, at most, but little dross. When melted, its colour is somewhat different from the metal found at Mr. Parker's, resembling more the yellow of brass. The lucky discovery of the vein above-mentioned by Mr. Barringer, spread through the country like wild-fire; the consequence was, that the banks of his brooks were soon ornamented with men, women and children—adventurous spirits, come to dig up their fortunes out of the sand and rocks, armed with mattocks, spades, buckets, frying-pans, and other implements necessary to dig and wash gold. Neither rain, snow, nor severe cold, could daunt their ardour, so long as they could, now and then, find a particle to cheer them on. But we understand the business is becoming rather dull; and, of course, the ardour of the diggers is considerably abated. They are retiring home, to await a new stimulus,—when the mattocks and frying-pans will again be shouldered, and arrayed on the banks of "Long Creek," or "Cureel-tail branch."

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MR. CLAY.

In the National Journal, of the 1st inst. we find the following "Card." We have witnessed the coarse abuse of Mr. Clay, which has, of late, appeared in many of the papers; but we think the Hon. Speaker of the House of Representatives has adopted rather an ungracious method of evincing his "ineffable contempt" of the editors of those "vile papers" that have slandered him. We should suppose it would better become a man in the high and honorable station which Mr. Clay occupies, to pass by, with "silent contempt," the many calumnies that always have been, and always will be, lavished upon the competitor for almost every "office of profit and emolument."

A CARD.

I have seen, without any emotion than that of ineffable contempt, the abuse which has been poured out upon me by

The Muse.

FROM THE GERMAN OF GOETHE.
THE SEA MARK.

Dark on you ancient torrent stands
A hero's shade on high—
Who as the vessels sail beneath,
Thus bids them oft good bye :

These sinews once were strong and bold,
My swelling heart was up :
And there was marrow in my bone,
And liquor in my cup.

And half my life I chose the storm,
And half in ease to dwell ;
And you, blithe ship, and you, blithe crew,
Be glad to do as well.'

COUNSEL.

Friend! do not crouch to those above ;
Friend! do not tread on those below ;
Love these—they're worthy of thy love ;
Love those, and thou wilt make them so.

Moral and Religious.

Third Annual Report of the Lincoln Bible Society.

The Board of managers of the Lincoln Bible Society, in presenting their third annual Report, feel themselves constrained to acknowledge, with devout gratitude, the goodness of the Almighty in thus permitting them to witness the return of its third Anniversary. The managers are well aware that the operations of the Society, for the past year, have been quite limited. Yet they feel themselves encouraged by the reflection, that they have engaged, from a conviction of moral and religious duty, in a work, so noble in its designs, so beneficent in its influence and so lasting in its effects.

From the Report of the committee appointed to examine and report on the books of the Treasurer, it appears that the precise number of Bibles distributed and quantity of money received, or disbursed, during the past year, cannot be definitely ascertained. But from the Report of this committee, it appears, that there have been received, since the commencement of this Society 70 octavo bibles, 100 mission bibles, 30 brevier bibles, 50 German bibles—making in the whole 250 bibles. Also, there have been received 90 bourgeois testaments, 130 brevier testaments—making in the whole 220 testaments. The treasurer has now in his possession, 19 octavo bibles, 12 brevier bibles, and 9 German bibles—making whole number of bibles on hand 40. Also, on hand, 9 bourgeois testaments and 39 brevier testaments—in all 48 testaments. By which it appears, that there have been distributed, by the managers of the Society, 210 bibles and 172 testaments.

The cash account of the Society stands thus:

Money received by sale of Bibles and Testaments, \$407 18s

Do. by payment of subscriptions, 92 00

\$499 18s

Money expended, as shewn by books and vouchers, \$336 14

Value of books on hand, 72 62

Leaving in favor of balance, \$ 90 42

The Board regard the distribution of the above number of scriptures, although comparatively small, when compared with the great number of our neighboring population which is destitute of the word of life, as calculated to do much good and bring ample compensation for the time spent, the labor bestowed and the money expended.

It is calculated to impress on our minds a sense of the importance of the institution, and to inspire them with a wish to do good, by steadfastly promoting the eternal interest of those with whom we are associated. And we indulge the scriptural hope, that the hearts of some sons of vice have been touched, that some obscure howels have been visited by the word of eternal truth, and that the hearts of their inhabitants have been softened by its reproofs, awed by its solemn warnings, or allured by its gracious promises.

The Board of managers, in order to awaken the interest and revive the languid zeal of the members of the society, would present the importance of this institution in another point of view. It is a trite, but emphatically true observation which remarks, that the existence of political institutions, like that under which we live, depends on the virtue and general information of the people. This virtuous information is to be derived from a familiar acquaintance with and knowledge of the scriptures. It is this volume which teaches men their moral, religious, and civil duties. It is this that teaches our rulers to rule in the fear

of the Lord, and that make the hands and hearts of our civil officers, like the "melting heart of charity," always open to relieve the wants and succour the exertions of the oppressed.—When this volume goes and meets its proper reception, the profane jest is no more heard, but the song of redeeming praise and mercy takes its place. The haunts of infamy and vice are no more frequented, but every house becomes a Bethel and every heart a residence of the spirit of God.

In short, it is this that learns the nation virtue, teaches the statesman wisdom and the subject his duty; and it is this that gives the Christian the hope and light of the world to come—that

" Sets times past in view,
Brings distant prospects home
Of things a thousand years ago,
Or thousand years to come."

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By order and in behalf of the Board.

N. N. SMITH, Corresponding Secy.

Resolved, that all the managers of this Society and persons holding Bibles and Testaments, belonging to this Society, for distribution, make report to the Treasurer of this society on, or before the tenth day of December each year, or be accountable to the Society for said books, as sold to themselves.

FROM THE NEW BUSINESS ENCYCLOPEDIA.
The modern Greeks are full of superstitious practices and unmeaning usages, many of which they have communicated to their Turkish conquerors. During the birth of a child, the lamp burns before the picture of the virgin, and the cradle is adorned with handkerchiefs and trinkets, as presents to the fairies. As soon as the infant is laid in the cradle, it is loaded with amulets; and a bit of soft mud, particularly prepared by various charms, is stuck upon the forehead to prevent the effects of the evil eye. When a stranger looks intensely upon a child, the mother spits in its face, or in her own bosom, if he looks at herself; but the sovereign remedy against the evil eye is the use of garlick, or even the pronouncing the name of it, and bunches of it are attached to new built houses and vessels. When a person sneezes in company, the conversation is stopped, and all present pronounce benedictions on him, at the same time crossing themselves. They wear rings and spells; observe all manner of lucky and unlucky days; spit in their own bosoms upon any sudden emergency; show a peculiar veneration for salt, and practice a multitude of divining ceremonies on all occasions.

The funeral of the Greeks, like those of their ancestors, are celebrated as occasions for various entertainments, and in some respect bear a considerable resemblance to those of the lower Irish. On the death of a person of dignity, the body is covered with a rich garment, and the litter covered with flowers. The friends and domestics, with the priests, walk in procession before the body, and a few old women on each side of the bier, continue howling and lamenting, enumerating the virtues of the deceased, and dwelling on the many reasons which should have made him remain longer in life. Behind the body come the female relations and friends, muffled up in mourning habits. At the place of interment a funeral service is read, and the body buried with some of the flowers that had adorned the bier. About the ninth day after the funeral, a feast is prepared by the nearest relation, who makes presents to the priests, and entertains the guests with music, dancing, and every kind of merriment.

The towns, and the churches are generally near the high road. Their groves of cypress or yew trees generally surround the tombs; and these spots are frequented on certain days by the relatives of the recent dead, who after shedding a few tears, and depositing a garland, or lock of hair, in the grave, spend the remainder of the day in dancing and singing.

By Authority.

By the President of the United States of America.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS certain alterations in the Treaty of Peace and Friendship, of August, 1797, between the United States and the Bashaw Bey of Tunis, were agreed upon and concluded, between his Highness SIDI MAHMOUD, the Bey, and S. D. HEAP, Charge d' Affaires of the United States at Tunis, on the twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, by the articles in the words following, to which are annexed the altered articles, as they were in the Treaty before the alterations :

Whereas sundry articles of the Treaty of Peace and Friendship, concluded between the United States of America and HAMUDA Bashaw, of happy memory, in the month of Rebius Elul, in the year of the Hegira, 1212, corresponding with the month of August, of the Christian year 1797, have, by experience, been found to require alteration and amendment: In order, therefore, that the United States should be placed on the same footing with the most favored nations having treaties with Tunis, as well as to manifest a respect for the American Government, and a desire to continue, unimpaired, the friendly relations which have always existed between the two nations, it is hereby agreed and concluded, between his Highness SIDI MAHMOUD, Bashaw, Bey of Tunis, and S. D. HEAP, Esquire, Charge d' Affairs of the United States of America, that alteration be made in the sixth, eleventh, twelfth and fourteenth articles of said Treaty, and that the said articles shall be altered and amended in the treaty to read as follows :

ARTICLE the 6th.—As it now is.

If a Tunisian corsair shall meet with an American vessel, and shall visit it with her boat, two men only shall be allowed to go on board, peaceably to satisfy themselves of its being American, who, as well as any passengers of other nations they may have on board, shall be free, both them and their goods; and the said two men shall not exact any thing, on pain of being severely punished. In case a slave shall take refuge on board of an American vessel of war, the consul shall be required to cause him to be restored; and if any of their prisoners shall escape on board of the Tunisian vessel, they shall be restored; but if any slave shall take refuge in an American merchant vessel, and it shall be proved that the vessel has departed with the said slave, then he shall be returned, or his ransom shall be paid.

ARTICLE 6th.—As it was.

If a Tunisian corsair shall meet with an American merchant vessel, and shall visit it with her boat, she shall not exact any thing, under pain of being severely punished. And, in like manner, if a vessel of war of the United States shall meet with a Tunisian merchant vessel, she shall observe the same rule. In case a slave shall take refuge on board of an American vessel of war, the consul shall be required to cause him to be restored; and if any of their prisoners shall escape on board of the Tunisian vessel, they shall be restored; but if any slave shall take refuge in an American merchant vessel, and it shall be proved that the vessel has departed with the said slave, then he shall be returned, or his ransom shall be paid.

ARTICLE the 11th.—As it now is.

When a vessel of war of the United States shall enter the port of the Gouletta, she shall be saluted with twenty-one guns, which salute the vessel of war shall return gun for gun only, and no powder will be given, as mentioned in the ancient eleventh article of this Treaty, which is hereby annulled.

ARTICLE 11th.—As it was.

When a vessel of war of the United States of America shall enter the port of Tunis, and the consul shall request that the Castle may salute her, the number of guns shall be fired which he may request; and if the said consul does not want a salute, there shall be no question about it.

But, in case he shall desire the salute, and the number of guns shall be fired which he may have requested, they shall be counted, and returned by the vessel in as many barrels of canon powder.

The same shall be done with respect to the Tunisian Corsairs, when they shall enter any port of the United States.

ARTICLE 12th.—As it now is.

When citizens of the United States shall come within the dependencies of Tunis, to carry on commerce there, the same respect shall be paid to them which the merchants of other nations enjoy; and if they wish to establish themselves within our ports, no opposition shall be made thereto; and they shall be free to avail themselves of such interpreters as they may judge necessary, without any obstruction, in conformity with the usages of other nations; and if a Tunisian subject shall go to establish himself within the dependencies of the United States, he shall be treated in like manner. If any Tunisian subject shall freight an American vessel, and load her with merchandise, and shall afterwards want to unload or ship them on board of another vessel, we shall not permit him until the matter is determined by a reference of merchants, who shall decide upon the case, and, after the decision, the determination shall be conformed to.

No Captain shall be detained in port against his consent, except when our ports are shut for the vessels of all other nations, which may take place with respect to merchant vessels, but not to those of war.

The subjects and citizens of the two nations, respectively, Tunisians and Americans shall be protected in the places where they may be, by the officers of the government there existing; but, on failure of such protection, and for redress of every injury, the party may resort to the chief authority in each country, by whom adequate protection and complete justice shall be rendered. In case the government of Tunis shall have need of an American vessel for its service, such vessel being within the Regency, and not previously engaged, the Government shall have the preference, on its paying the same freight as other merchants usually pay for the same service, or at the like rate, if the service be without a customary precedent.

ARTICLE the 14th.—As it now is.

All vessels belonging to the citizens and inhabitants of the United States shall be permitted to enter the ports of the kingdom of Tunis, and freely trade with the subjects and inhabitants thereof, on paying the usual duties which are paid by other most favored nations at peace with the Regency. In like manner, all vessels belonging to the subjects and inhabitants of the kingdom of Tunis shall be permitted to enter the different ports of the United States, and freely trade with the citizens and inhabitants thereof, on paying the usual duties which are paid by other most favored nations at peace with the United States.

ARTICLE 14th.—As it was.

A Tunisian merchant, who may go to America with a vessel of any nation soever, loaded with merchandise, which is the production of the kingdom of Tunis, shall pay duty (small as it is) like the merchants of other nations; and the American merchants shall equally pay for the merchandise of their country, which they may bring to Tunis, under their flag, the same duty as the Tunisians pay in America. But, if an American merchant, or a merchant of any other nation, shall bring American merchandise, under any other flag, he shall pay six per cent. duty: in like manner, if a foreign merchant shall bring the merchandise of his country, under the American flag, he shall also pay six per cent.

Concluded, signed and sealed, at the Palace of Bardo, near Tunis, the 24th day of the moon Jumad I, in the year of the Hegira, 1239, corresponding with the 24th of February, 1824, of the Christian year, and the 48th year of the Independence of the United States, reserving the same, nevertheless, for the final ratification of the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

S. D. HEAP, Charge d' Affaires. [L. s.]

SIDI MAHMOUD'S signature and [L. s.]

And whereas the Senate of the United States did, on the 13th of January instant, two thirds of the Senators present concurring therein, advise and consent to the ratification of the Convention containing the said alterations; and whereas, in pursuance of the said advice and consent, I have ratified, on the part of the United States, the said articles:

Now, therefore, I do hereby proclaim the same, and have caused the said articles to be made public; to the end that they, and every clause thereof, as they now are, may be observed and fulfilled with good faith by the United States and their citizens. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this twenty-first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and of the Independence of the United States the forty-ninth.

JAMES MONROE.

By the President:
JOHN QUINCY ADAMS,
Secretary of State.

Estate of Alex. Long, dec'd.

THE subscriber having qualified as executor of the last will of Alexander Long, late of Rowan county, dec'd., at the court of pleas and quarter sessions for the said county, held on the third Monday of November last,—notice is hereby given, that all persons having demands against the said estate, are required to present them for payment, within the time prescribed by law.

JAMES I. LONG, Executor.

Dec. 24, 1824.

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Cotton Ginning.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the merchants of the town of Salisbury, and the citizen farmers of his neighborhood, that he has just finished a large building, 32 by 52, for Ginning of Cotton, to run by water; and that he is also well fixed for packing cotton, in the neatest manner, for market. He assures his friends who may favor him with their custom, that he will have their cotton packed and put up in the neatest manner, and in the shortest time possible, and on the lowest terms at which it is done by others. He also assures those who send cotton to his Gin, that it will be kept separate from others, so that they will be sure to get the same cotton they send. He has located and built this establishment, at his Mill Plantation, two miles from Salisbury. JA. FISHER. 23 October 18, 1824.

Boot and Shoe Establishment REMOVED.

E BENEZER DICKSON takes this method to inform his customers, and the public at large, that he has removed his shoe-shop from the house he formerly occupied, and has taken the house owned by Mr. Thomas Todd, nearly opposite Wm. H. Slaughter's house of entertainment, on Main-street, Salisbury; where he will carry on, as usual, the Boot and Shoe making business, in all its various branches, in a style of neatness and durability which, he believes, cannot be surpassed by any in the state. All orders from a distance, for work in his line, will be faithfully attended to.

Salisbury, S. C. 17, 1824.

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100 Dollars Reward.

RUN AWAY, on the 16th of October, 1824, a negro man named Adam, aged 27 years. He was lodged in the jail of Randolph county on the 19th or 20th inst.; and was taken out of said jail on the 8th of November, 1824, by the subscriber, and taken on home, with a pair of hand-cuffs on. On arriving at the subscriber's house, on the 9th of November, 1824, he was left in a room with a small boy; whilst the family was at supper in another room, by some means Adam slipped out of the door, and made his escape. At the time he was taken up, he had several free papers in his possession. The said boy Adam has a scar on his right hand, occasioned by a wagon wheel. He had on, when he went away, a snuff-colored surtout coat, with hand-cuffs, well riveted. He has heretofore passed as a brickmaker, and as a free man when last taken up. One hundred dollars reward will be given for the apprehension and delivery of said negro.

2444 MACK CRUMP.

Davison county, N. C. Nov. 9, 1824.

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State of North-Carolina.

RUTHERFORD COUNTY.

COURT of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, January Session, 1825. Aspinwall Earle versus James H. Ferguson: Original attachment levied on a wagon, one watch, and other articles.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant is an inhabitant of another State, ordered therefore that publication be made in the Western Carolinian for six weeks, that the defendant appear at our next County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be held for the county of Rutherford, at the Court House in Rutherfordton on the 3d Monday after the 4th Monday in March next, then and there to plead, or reply; and if demur or judgment will be entered up against him, and the property condemned accordingly.

Witness, Isaac Craton, Clerk of our said Court, at office, the 2d Monday of January, 1825. 649 ISAAC CRATON, Clerk.

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